

N. 1809.

Dear S. Jackson.

I right you a  
few lines that I am well  
hear. I like the school veary  
much indeed. I did  
not right you before be  
cause I did not no you  
adress. Abert Chapman  
was y very kind to  
use. I am glad ~~that~~  
that I came hear to school  
Thanksgiving day we all  
had skating, we had  
a great fun

George Fredericks

Department of the Interior,  
**Bureau of Education,**

*Washington, D. C.*

November 3, 1890.

The Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,

Dear Sir:

I congratulate you most heartily upon your safe return from your long and arduous tour, and if I had had the remotest idea that you were in the city yesterday I would have offered my congratulations in person. The parcels <sup>and mail bags</sup> came safely by mail, as did also the express package, all of which I shall take charge of until your return; I forward two letters by this morning's mail. Hoping that you may be greatly refreshed by your short rest, with best regards,

Very truly yours,

*William Hamilton*

Assistant United States General Agent of Education for Alaska.

*(This is the first time that I have used my full title. I thought I would print it out in order to form some idea of its full length.)*

Dear Dr. Jackson -

I will be at home  
at 4 o'clock on

M<sup>rs</sup> Elliott F. Shepard.

Monday, when I will  
be happy to have you call

2 West Fifty-second Street.

Yrs truly

M. F. Shepard

Nov. 7

N.Y. 12.15 Midnight

Wash 8.10 am

9.44. Broadway

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Mr James M. Ham

278 ST. JAMES PLACE,  
BROOKLYN.

Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> 1890

Rev Sheldon Jackson

Dear Friend

Yours of 5<sup>th</sup> inst.

is at hand. We are exceedingly glad to hear of your safe arrival on this eastern coast, after your long journey in the Arctic regions. I read your letter in the "North Star" with great interest and long to see you and hear more about your journey. It will not be possible for me to meet you at the Mission Rooms on the days you name. Mr. Ham wishes to see you, but he is feeling so poorly that he is not attending to much business.

and would like to see you  
at our House if you can  
make it convenient to come.  
I wish I could ask you to  
spend Saturday or Sunday  
night with us. but just at  
present have friends staying  
with us so it will <sup>not</sup> be convenient.

Mr. Ham would like to see you  
about the business matter.  
He can give <sup>your Bond</sup> ~~it~~ to his Brother  
to sell as you directed, but  
will not be able to attend to  
the sale of it himself.

The fraction of the Bond for  
the past due interest is \$225.75.  
which he will pay you for.  
The market price is now a  
little less than that, but  
they have been selling for  
more. in the early part of the

year. There is also \$5.64 due  
you for interest collected the  
first of Nov.

I hope you will call on us if  
you can - for we shall be very  
sorry to miss seeing you.

Mr. Ham thinks now that he  
will go over to his office in  
New York for a little while  
Saturday morning - from 10 to  
12 o'clock. He has been over  
nearly every day since he came  
home until this week - and  
I think he is as well as he  
has been any time since our  
return home - but he tho't he  
might gain more rapidly  
if he gave up business  
for a while.

Yours Sincerely

Cornelia F. Ham

(Mrs. J. M. H.)



Robt P. Wilder  
700 Park Ave  
Union Square  
New York

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Daniel B. St John  
Rosa 208 30<sup>th</sup>  
St Paul Madison  
+ Fifth Ave N York

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Spoynak Alaska  
Nov. 8 1890

Dr Jackson  
Dear Sir

Much as  
I wanted to see you when you did  
arrive that day I did not say  
anything I wished to. With all your  
rallying me I did not even have  
time to tell you, that I did not even  
know the R. C. was in the bay until  
you stepped ashore. I think about  
it now how fearfully everything looks.  
You must have formed a poor opinion of  
my taste and manner. Yet my friends  
accuse me of being as particular as prim  
as an old maid. I must have been a  
little discouraged about that time.



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I am proud of the School and  
regret so much you could  
not see it right. Every child  
in the School, <sup>but 3</sup> can point out all  
the States on the U.S. Map and give  
the Capitals. Ask the questions plainly  
as you heard some of them.  
Children that could <sup>not</sup> memorize four  
lines in a week a year ago. Can  
now commit to memory a page  
or two, and speak it well. As they  
all do every week. They sing nicely,  
write off National songs and com-  
mit them readily. I had some  
Children's papers Mr. Rose kindly  
gave me and it was grand to see  
how eagerly they got them and read  
& returned them for others to read.  
I got some fiction papers, but



Very few, as yet, of the many  
things I sent <sup>to</sup> friends for  
to instruct and comfort <sup>the</sup> children  
as well as myself.

Nor did I have time to tell you  
that we must have a wood  
house - and water closets -

The wood is bad enough at  
best and with no place to  
keep it in the day - it is  
hard to keep this large  
room with so much glass  
surface warm and comfort-  
able - The flue is at the wrong  
end - We are obliged to set the  
stove up by the door and run  
the pipe almost the entire length  
of the room - I wish you would  
authorize me to change that  
flue and put it where it



should be directly between  
the two doors, where the cold  
comes in - That Ventilating  
causing is a failure as the  
causing lumber is all split  
open by the heat - Cold air  
would pour in if we did not  
stop the cracks - Please let  
me know about this by the 1<sup>st</sup>  
of the Spring, and also  
give me the necessary order  
for the wood house and closets  
for I intend to build them  
now if I can get the lumber  
we cannot get through the  
winter without them And it will  
not do to let the school suffer for all  
they will cost, after so much has been  
done - what use am I to make of these orders  
like the one you gave me for the fence?

THE MAIL AND EXPRESS,

No. 23 Park Row,

New York, Nov 18 1890

To John H. Severin Esq.,  
Mail and Express Bureau  
Dear Sir

This will make you acquainted with Rev D Sheldon Jackson the Superintendent of Education for Alaska, who will be able to facilitate you about everything in the Arctic region.

Will you also please make him acquainted with Mr  
Hess  
Yours Very Truly  
Edw F. Shepard



Juneau, Alaska, Nov. 10, 1890.

Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;

Perhaps this communication may occasion surprise. Possibly it may not receive respectful consideration. In any event I shall stick it on its errand.

It would be superfluous for me to assure you that federal appointments under the present administration are none of my "funerals". It would be alike unnecessary for me to state, that upon public questions, my convictions are hopelessly at variance from the policy of the party now in power. Probably the difference, between you and me on these questions, is equally irreconcilable. There are however common grounds upon which we may meet viz: - The good-government and welfare of Alaska. From this neutral ground I venture to suggest to you the propriety of your recommending to the President Charles



Juneau, Alaska,

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S. Blackett for Collector of Customs of  
this district.

The best of reasons exist for the belief that the  
career of the present incumbent of that office  
is short-lived; and you cannot be without  
a knowledge of facts that render his brevity  
in office a matter of good to the Territory as  
well as a credit to the administration.

Mr Blackett served under me, as well as under  
the present collector, and, leaving his political  
bias out of the account, (which you know to be  
outspokenly Republican), I base my good opinion  
of him on the facts, that he is a loyal friend,  
a good citizen, an honest man, ~~and~~ a faithful  
and efficient public officer and an actual  
and bona-fide resident of the Territory.

I therefore suggest, that upon these grounds, you  
might do many worse things than to boldly and  
squarely recommend his appointment as collector  
of the district to the President. Respectfully, A. L. Delaney.

124 Pierrepont Street,  
Brooklyn Heights.

To the

Hon B J. Tracy  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

I beg to introduce to  
your favorable notice my Nephew  
the Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.,  
who is Government Superintendent  
of Public Instruction for Alaska,  
under the Department of the  
Interior.

I remain, my dear Sir,  
Yours, very Respectfully  
Henry Sheldon

Nov 10, 1890

Department of the Interior,  
**Bureau of Education,**

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H.F.H.

*Washington, D. C.,*

November 11, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Secretary of the Board of Education,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir :-

Your three letters of October 19th have been received. Bills payable to J.K.Gill & Co., and Wadhams & Co., of Portland Oregon, have been approved and sent to the Disbursing Office for payment; also account of Mr. Kelly for \$24.00.

Your leave of absence was duly granted for the two months - December, 1889 and January 1890, with pay and you were so notified by telegram on October 17th.

Blank vouchers were sent you on October 21st from the Department. I had previously ordered a supply sent you on October 5th. You should therefore, have a large supply by this time.

very respectfully yours,

*W. T. Harris*  
Commissioner.



and Nov 12

Station Island  
*Edward Charnock*  
Nov. 11, 1870.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson

Dear Sir,

I called

on Dr. Kendall yesterday  
to see about two of the  
pupils at the Litha Mis-  
sion and was advised  
by him to write directly

to you for definite infor-  
mation. I visited the

Litha Mission last year  
and became very much  
interested in the work.

I wrote to Rev. Mr. Austin  
in regard to Edward Charnock  
and have had a reply  
stating that he was

provided for, but that  
Edward Loren Ross  
would go as a teacher  
to Kikilani, if funds  
were provided. I learned  
yesterday that Edward  
Marsden had not been  
provided for, but I  
could not learn where  
they wanted to send  
him or how much it  
would take. Will you  
kindly tell me how  
much is needed to  
educate Edward Marsden  
and how much would  
enable Edward Loren to  
go to Kikilani as a teacher.

teacher? It would be satisfying  
to me to know that the letter  
that I can contribute was helping  
one of these people of whom I have  
heard particularly. But if the need  
is greater elsewhere, I shall be  
glad to assist where it will  
do the most good.

Will you kindly send the  
reply to 310 Ridge Ave. Evanston, Ill.  
U.S.A. I shall be very grateful  
for any information.  
Sincerely yours Margaret S. Weston



## DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

U. S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

Sitka, Alaska, Nov-13 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir and Friend

I take this opportunity to write you a few lines. Every thing is progressing nicely here at this time. The new help has arrived at the Mission and Mrs. Porter has been relieved for which I am very thankful. The next term of the District Court commences on the arrival of the steamer which is expected to-morrow. Then we shall have lively times here for a couple of weeks.

I hope you will find time this winter to lay before the Department the needs and necessities of Alaska, especially the condition of things at the coastward. I know of no one who can do it so well as you. You have lately seen them and understand the situation.

## DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

U. S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

Sitka, Alaska,

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The government ought to do something in the way of relieving for Deputy Marshal Anthony Finnish him an office with the necessary appurtenances to enable him to comfortably discharge the duties of his office. If you can stir them up any do so I beg of you. It is a serious matter the way things are right now at Omak.  
laska.

Enclosed please find a letter directed to Attorney General Miller. Will you please do me the favor to hand it to him in person I am afraid if I send it through the regular channel it will fall into the hands of some department clerk and he will not get to see it. It is a business letter relating to the affairs of my office and I want to know that he gets it, so I send it to you to hand to him in person and will thank you for doing it.

## DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

U. S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

Sitka, Alaska,

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Give my kind regards to your wife  
and daughter and when you can  
find time please drop me a line.  
Mrs. Porter also sends her regards to all  
of you.

Sincerely yours

Orville T. Porter  
U. S. Marshal  
District of Alaska



2 WEST FIFTY-SECOND STREET.

Dear Mr. Jackson -

The polar  
bear skin arrived  
safely today and  
I shall take it  
to-morrow to  
Purkin's to be  
skinned - I will have  
it ready please see  
tomorrow - it to you  
when you call  
again - Thanking  
you very sincerely



And bringing me  
such a beautiful  
present. I am  
over a great  
distance.

With love  
Always very truly yours  
Margaret Shepard

Nov. 1844

# Board of Education,

No. 146 GRAND STREET,

New York. Nov<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1890.

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sheldon Jackson,

U. S. Genl Agent of Education in Alaska.

Washington DC.

Dear Sir,

Your very interesting letter of the 12<sup>th</sup> inst is at hand. Your graphic statement of the social and educational conditions existing at the present time in Alaska, opens up an aspect of the subject of patriotic education, which is apparently but little appreciated or understood by the mass of our citizens, but to which my attention has been specially directed for several years, particularly as it regards the situation in this city.

The same characteristics which are so strongly marked in the lowest social type of the heterogeneous population of this great commercial centre, have evidently deeply impressed you in your experience in Alaska, where the mass of the inhabitants are even more ignorant, bigoted, ~~and~~ lower in the social scale and quite as wanting in any knowledge of American

principles and institutions as the law type of peasant  
immigrant with <sup>which</sup> we have to deal.

If such a population ~~and~~ <sup>as</sup> we have in our midst, and <sup>even</sup> as I  
claim, our best native element, needs the elevating & educating  
and patriotic influences which I seek to bring to bear on the  
rising generation, through the method I have outlined in  
my book - how much more necessary are these methods  
in a population and under the un-american conditions  
found in Alaska.

With the object of bringing my book to the attention of school  
officers throughout the country, I am now preparing for the  
press, a consensus of the comments made on the work by -  
superintendents of Public Instruction and other prominent educators  
and educational administrative officers, accompanied by  
such statistics for each State and Territory as will indicate  
the character and extent of the educational interests which  
such administrators represent.

If you could spare a half hour to run through the book you could  
without doubt enter fully into the spirit in which it is written,  
and seize the salient points of my argument quite sufficiently



to say how far in your opinion the methods proposed will be effective in attaining the end in view - and how far they are adapted to the pressing needs you have sketched in your letter. The copy of the consensus is about ready so that if within a week you could give me a few words which will formulate your judgement in the matter, I can put it in with the rest. In this way I can be of some service to the cause you are laboring for, by disseminating among educators throughout the country a better knowledge of Alaska and its educational needs.

I enclose a leaflet which I prepared in Sept which will give ~~you~~ you an idea of the plan, & also a letter from Dr Harris which endorses the use of the flag as proposed. We are working in a common cause and for a common object and anything I can do to aid you pray.

Command me.

Very truly yours,

Geo. S. Balch

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A. E. WINSHIP, Editor.

EDITORIAL ROOMS,  
NEW ENGLAND PUBLISHING COMPANY,  
3 Somerset Street, Boston.

Boston, Nov. 14 - 1890

Mr. Sheldon Jackson,  
Dear Sir:-

Kindly let me know of the  
changes in your school laws  
during the year.

Truly Yrs,

A. E. Winship.  
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Beltsville \* Land \* Improvement \* Company

OF PRINCE GEORGE'S CO.,

No. 1003 F STREET, N. W.

Washington, D. C., Jan 14" 1890

My dear Doctor:

I have been trying to find time to get over to see you but I am taking all my time to work on our Church Lens which we are putting in this week. I am delighted to know that you will be with us on Sabbath, I am sure we will have a large appreciative audience. I would like you to come out on the 4.32 train Sabbath afternoon, to Branchville & I will send you your ticket tomorrow. I will meet you at the Station at Branchville & you will take tea with me. Let me know if this is satisfactory to you.

Very sincerely yours,  
F. L. Middleton



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Annan Nov 14 1890  
Dr Jackson  
Dear Sir

I send herewith a letter by Mrs Willard which I think is worth printing the other letter is from a lady who has read "Life in Alaska" she then wrote to Mrs Willard. and Mrs W- gave her an idea of the present situation this letter in answer will explain itself.

I send also a "Record" marked; thinking you may possibly not see the item. In article "Speaking of Fire" in the last paragraph, the opinion of all the important people of this section. and from what I have heard in reference to the

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Juneau Alaska  
Nov 18/90

Rev Sheldon Jackson  
Washington  
D.C.

Dear Sir:

I received  
your very kind letter written last  
Spring & would have answered had I  
known how to address you. You  
requested & apply for Miss Mathews  
position during her absence.  
I called on Mrs Willard to confer  
with her in regard to it & was  
informed by Mrs Blackel who  
last spoken to her about it, that  
as Miss Mathews absence was to  
be brief that I would probably be  
of little service, & only become an

to my sister when I should have  
to give way to Miss M. I think she  
has stayed some three months longer  
than they expected.

I wish to tender my thanks for  
your thoughtfulness & feel as  
much obliged to you as if I had  
taken the position.

Mr Willard organized our church  
with ten members we all feel  
very proud of it - & hope to have a  
new church building in the near  
future. Our little band are earnest  
in their work for the Master. Our  
sing is much liked by all. We all  
hope & earnestly pray for <sup>our</sup> a gathering  
of souls before many months.

I hope you found your dear wife &  
daughter well, & I know they were as  
glad to see you, as you were to get back  
to them.

Very truly yours  
Miss Bruce



Juneau, Alaska.  
Nov 14 - 1890.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

It is not to be this year  
I'm afraid, it seemed destined  
to go back to its nummy cloths  
again - That precious man - a  
script of mine. It had lain  
untouched for seven years when  
some weeks ago I brot it out  
again - There was not a hundred  
pages written. To get a starting  
place I began to copy that,  
and got about sixty pages done  
when other duties clamored so  
it had to be put away. I then  
sewed, patched, wrote many letters  
and after several weeks careful  
management succeeded in getting  
a few hours which I could conscientiously  
devote to the book.

So - The babies tucked into bed,  
the day's work done and folded  
away, I sat down and wrote  
a description of the native  
mourning feast.

Next morning found me hardly  
able to get-up and cook breakfast  
for my early birds who go to  
School - nervous headache kept  
me on the rack all day, yet not  
a tithen of what I owed that day  
could be given over. My little  
helping maid seemed more  
than ever stupid and slow, she  
tried me and found me wanting  
in patience - I was hurried,  
anxious, and felt it necessary  
to be in twenty different places  
at the same moment. I scolded  
my children. I was unlovely to  
my husband - I was not glad to  
see the sick people coming -  
The smell of them made me

sick - their sorrows made me shudder.  
 'Well', I thought, 'the master does not  
 want such work, as this - it cannot  
 be his time for that work.'

Now comes a letter from Miss  
 Matthews by this steamer saying  
 that she will not be back before  
 Dec. I do not know that she can  
 help me much, <sup>anyway</sup> towards getting  
 more time for this special work.  
 You know that I am the mother  
 of two stirring families, and nurse,  
 home keeper, cook, & seamstress  
 in our own house; tourists in  
 summer and mission correspondence  
 ever eat a great hole in my  
 time & strength - in addition I  
 am the mission doctor, there  
 are bones to set, wounds to sew  
 & plaster, abscesses to lance &  
 dress, and a hundred other ills  
 to make medicine for. There are



sick & distressed in the villages  
who can not come to me - it  
takes time - time & strength.  
and I find I can not do this  
writing as I write letters, a word  
or a sentence at a time. and I  
have shown you that I can not  
take Injune raw & whole by  
day and Injune dead & burnt  
by night - its too heavy for  
my stomach!

And so - I fear it must  
be given up. I should not put  
it - nor think it - in that way either.  
He knows. It were poor service  
to do half-heartedly what he puts  
into my hands - because I want  
to give him something else.

Hoping you have reached home &  
dear ones in safety and that you  
all may have a good & happy winter.  
I am as ever sincerely, Cairns M. Willard.

Wtka Nov 16 - 90

Dr Jackson

My Dear Doctor

I trust you arrived safe and found your good wife in improved health. The Governor returned upon 20 days boat. It is currently reported here and I have it from unquestionable authority that the Gov

and Pracht are determined  
to "own" Jackson, the above  
remark was made to me  
by a man as close to  
Pracht as Mr Kelly is  
to you, such advice,  
thought, or assistance  
is as contemptible  
as it will be futile

I am amazed at the  
election return,

Watch, and see if there  
is any action against  
Pracht in W. I think there  
is. - Yours truly  
Wm. F. Thacker



Sitka, Alaska,

Nov. 13. 1898.

Dear Dr Jackson,

Your two letters  
were received. I am  
glad and quite proud  
to say that I have  
notified and thanked  
(those who deserved ~~thanks~~)  
every one of the  
members that were  
elected the evening  
of the October meeting.  
Your last letter of  
the correction of  
Rudolph Neumann's

name come just in time, for I had the letter already to send to Adolph Krumm.

He had a very interesting meeting in November.

Mr. Millmore has spent some three days in arranging the little things. The improvement is really amazing. The rooms seems full almost to crowding and yet there is no crowding.

We found among the things for sale a pair of Walrus tusks

that he would like, but I think he is not quite willing to pay the price he put out for tourists, and so I will take the liberty of suggesting that she take the tickets and when he sees you pay you what you like.

The ladies of Sitka are getting up a fair to raise money to buy a Chemical fire engine for the fire company.

They have put me at the head of the curio-table. I'm look-



ing about for curious  
very greedy eyes lit upon  
those at the Museum  
for sale to tourists.  
I proposed to the soci-  
ety that I sell them  
at an advance price  
and give the amount  
thus raised to the fire-  
fund. But upon look-  
ing at the things, I  
find they are mark-  
ed so high that I  
cannot think of mark-  
ing them higher.

The Executive meeting  
with Mr Kelly as chair-  
man will consult  
upon what better  
terms they can agree.

I feel as if it were  
a queer matter for

me to be doing with  
your property, but I  
feel assured that if  
you were here, you  
would give me  
more than we will  
make in this way.

I did not have  
time to write to you  
before since my im-  
portant(?) appointment

Please write me as  
soon as possible of  
your approval or dis-  
approval.

The Topeka came yesterday bringing over one hundred persons, witnesses, jurors and wives to attend court.

Our room at the hotel was so much in demand that Mr. & Mrs. Porter have invited us to spend the remaining two weeks with them.

We are with them now and enjoying ourselves very much.

We will thus have been here six weeks. I appreciate the rest very much. I will try to make some writ



ing for the Museum,  
finish my book upon  
the Legends of Thingita.

They have just sent  
for Mr Millmore to  
come to supper, warn-  
ing me.

Thank you for your  
congratulations.

We are very happy.

Yours very truly.

Ida Millmore.

Mr. Porter has secured  
Baranoff's chandelier  
for the museum.  
Mr. Millmore will  
take it to the place  
some dark night.

I. R. M.

Sitka Alaska  
Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1898.

My dear Dr.

There is not much news to write you. The City of Sitka is now blowing her first whistle to be off. Gov. Knapp has returned but I have not seen him. The majority look upon him as a man of very little force. His son George goes down for a trip as inspector afloat. It is reported that Max P. has been ordered to Washington.

We are surprised at the result of the Nov. Elections but for my part I am not sorry for I believe that the Dems. will try to do something for Alaska. When you meet the Board in N. Y. please bring up the matter of the Sawmill and settle it definitely. All at the Mission are well. Our weekly prayer meeting is increasing in interest.

Yours truly  
J. E. Brady

My Dear Doctor

Under all the facts  
the case when presented to the  
President, as I am sure they will  
be, I am satisfied Crockett will  
be requested to resign.

Now Doctor you have a  
chance to do me a good turn  
I don't drink, don't gamble  
am a Republican of 30



3. 2000, Have spent thousands  
of dollars in the interest of the  
the new head office, and  
stand the situation here -  
have the courage of my con-  
fession, and would admin-  
ister the office satisfactorily  
to the Govt. in that all my  
acts should be within the law.

Dear friend B, writes you by this  
mail

Yours truly  
H. F. Turner

Received

Wills Nov 29/90

B<sup>r</sup> Jackson

My Dear Sir

We have been having  
exciting times, and disgraceful  
actions from my standpoint of  
judgement since Court began  
two weeks past, Pracht; Pracht;  
Pracht, until I am sick of the  
very name, with all the untoward  
effron connected with it, the most  
disgusting of which as applied to  
all, I am bound to say has been  
the conduct of those women to do  
just the opposite of what they have  
done, but then, what can one expect  
from other, from drunkards, libertines  
bible bellers, and dishonest men

The very Contemplation is sickening  
but to the point,

Preach was indicted by the Grand  
Jury for smuggling 15- to 1, the bill  
was dismissed because of so low, some  
informality, he was again indic-  
ted for extortion in that in one  
case as acting Dist Collector of  
Internal Rev. where the fee was  
12.50 - or rather the license 12.50 -  
he would not issue unless paid  
15-, or if 25- he was paid 27.50 -  
all this was proven in many cases  
before the Grand Jury -

The trial came off yesterday, and  
he was acquitted upon a Technical  
ity, and now was it brought about  
I will tell you and you are my  
judge for yourself. The Dist Atty  
Dundee, who I am told said I don't  
intend to prosecute I say how - -  
threw out all the intimate case  
between one W. Minute.



who got his license with the apertio  
changed attached, early in August,  
and one W Sanford, who got his in  
middle of November, and tried the  
case upon those two.

9 Delaney was retained by P at  
\$500 to defend him, a Demand of  
Collector, I wrote some upon the  
stand that when he issued the  
license to Merrick he had not  
been appointed Internal Revenue  
Collector, and in the case of  
Sanford, when he got his -  
both of them having paid the  
own charge, he had ceased  
to be Internal Revenue Col in that  
he had sent in his resignation  
as Col, which had been  
accepted to take effect Nov 1st  
and he rec<sup>d</sup> the same Nov 15

Now isn't it seem strange that if  
there was no collusion between Delaney  
and I wrote, that he would have tried

the case upon the two counts only  
upon which he was technically  
not guilty, and in order to save  
himself from imprisonment P.  
was forced to give under oath  
that he obtained the money from  
menials, with the extra charge.  
Sandford also under false pre-  
tense in that he had no right in  
being the District Collector to these  
licenses, much less charged 25% -  
as he pretends to be. The whole  
affair is a disgusting one. I am  
Mr Peckinsburgh who is a fair  
telling honorable gentleman

My dear Mrs, how the packet has  
been reported upon how with the  
company of such people do the  
facts any good, as before a letter  
it must be mentioned in the paper

My wife joins me in kind regards  
to Mr Jackson and daughter  
Sincerely yours Wm V. Miller



Connecticut Indian Association.

Hartford, Conn., 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1890

Dear Mr. Jackson,

I see by the  
North Star that you are back  
again at your porting duty,  
and so I send another line  
to ask about the Outposts -  
and pay now & then.

Thomas Brown & John Willard  
each owe \$70. for the year  
ending Oct. 1890. In March  
190 \$70. was credited to Paul  
Willard, but it was the payment



due for 1889. It therefore  
seems that \$210. is due  
from these three men for the  
year ending 1<sup>st</sup> of Oct. last.

Our annual Conference  
occurs this week in Boston.

I am not able to make any  
report for Alaska, except  
such personal testimony as I  
have had from Sen. Davis  
and General Marshall.

The Hawaiian People  
people are not very well  
satisfied that I can tell them  
nothing of the outcome of their  
\$700. contribution to the Home  
Building dept. - your work.

Will you kindly give  
him <sup>early</sup> ~~early~~ attention & this  
matter, and believe me

Very Truly Yours

Saml T. Kiersey

2, Dintwop St.

# Board of Education,

No. 146 GRAND STREET,

New York, Nov 17 - 1890

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sheldon Jackson,  
U.S. General Agent of Education in Alaska.  
Washington DC.  
Dear Sir,

Your most interesting letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> inst is just at hand. Please accept my sincere thanks for your statement that my book will be of service to you in your educational work in Alaska - Your graphic statement of the situation is only a repetition, so far as ecclesiastical influences adverse to American principles and institutions are concerned, of what is going on in a less obtrusive but none the less officious way in many localities throughout the Union. As a nation we are as yet very far from the practical realization of the absolute separation of Church and State, but I hope that the methods I propose will do much towards bringing about that much to be desired end. I am quite satisfied from the details you have given

me, that my plan of teaching Intellectual Education will meet with your hearty approval, and prove a powerful lever in disrupting the mass of inertness of which you speak and infusing into even the dull & uncultivated intellect of the native population, some definite notions of what principles lie at the foundation of this Republic.

It is a very great encouragement to me to have you say that you shall try to get my book into the hands of your teachers, for the official recognition of the book by your Department will go a long way in inducing other educational Departments to take up the subject. I am particularly desirous of having the methods introduced into our Indian schools and any aid you can give me in that direction, will be fully appreciated and reciprocated.

Very truly yours,

Geo. A. Balch



SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

S. P. LANGLEY, Secretary  
G. BROWN GOODE, Assistant Secretary,  
in charge of U. S. National Museum

UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM

Washington, Nov. 17, 1890

Dear Dr. Jackson

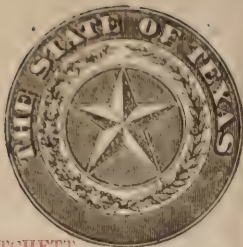
Had to hear of your return &  
successful summer.

The matter of St. Elias is really one to  
be discussed by expert surveyors, and  
another set of observations will be needed  
to determine which of those already taken  
is most ~~likely~~ correct. I do not care to  
discuss the matter, until Russell & Ker's  
final discussion of their observations is  
published. All I care to say at present  
is to be found in last week's issue of  
"Science". My original Report with figures  
& map is in Coast Survey Report for 1875.  
I have no extra copies, and beside  
the extras which were distributed

were advance sheets and less complete  
than the one in the volume, which  
came out nearly a year later.

yours very truly  
Wm. H. Dall

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.  
Bureau of Education.



# Department of Education.

H. C. PRITCHETT,

OSCAR H. COOPER, Supt. of Public Instruction.

ALGERNON S. THWEATT, Chief Clerk.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 18, 1890.

Hon. Sheldon Jackson,

U. S. Genl. Agt. of Ed. for Alaska,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to yours of Nov. 13th, I send you herewith copy of the written report of Hon. O. H. Cooper. Will be pleased to hear from you at any time, and ask that you send me any circulars or reports prepared by you. I am,

Very truly yours,

State Sup't. Pub. Inst.





GEOLOGICAL & NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY.  
*Alfred R. C. Selwyn, C. M. G., L. S. O., F. R. S., Director.*  
MUSEUM AND OFFICE, SUSSEX STREET, OTTAWA.

Novr. 18 1890

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson

Bureau of Education,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

I have your letter of the 24th ult. calling attention to the change of your address from Sitka to the Bureau of Education, Washington. You may probably not be aware that the Bureau of Education, Washington, is already on our list of exchanges, and our Reports are sent regularly to its Library, but as you have been sending publications to the Geological Library, if you wish to have a copy of our Report sent for personal use, I shall be happy to do so. The publications we have received from you, so far as I know, are: Proceedings of the 7th. Ann. Meeting of the Lake Mohawk Conference of the Friends of the Indians, 1889.  
The Muir Glacier, Alaska, by Prof. F. Wright.  
20th Annual Report of Board of Indian Commissioners, 1889.  
Report of the Governor of Alaska, 1889.  
Indian Education, by Thos. J. Morgan.

May I ask if the Territorial Board of Education, Sitka, has become defunct? If so, then there will be no need of sending our publications any longer to it.

Yours very truly,

*J. Thorburn*  
Librarian.



WOMAN'S  
Home Missionary Society

of the  
Methodist Episcopal Church.

(ALASKAN BUREAU.)

Doston Nov 18 1890

Dr Joe Kaon.

Dear Bro.

I have  
not yet got my lost time at  
Buffalo made up so cannot  
spare much time now but I  
want to know what you mean  
by my asking the Commission  
about your coming here?

surely he is no more of our  
superior than the former  
one and you did not ask  
me to go & join!!

Will you inform me  
when you could come  
& on what terms? Will you also  
look for some of our ladies  
at Washington & Baltimore & on

what terms?

Will you be on this day at  
any time in course of a  
few months. even if not  
especially for us? You  
don't ~~could~~ on Lake  
~~Long~~ together?

Yours truly

Mark Twain

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,  
Washington D. C.

Kind sir,

Your kind favor of Nov. 21,  
received. I have just finished six long  
letters that we have received from Mr.  
L. M. Stevenson. They are very interesting.

You ask of my experience in photog-  
raphy. I have had six (6) years good  
experience in this work. I have studied  
the art for the love that I have for it.

I can do all parts of the work except  
retouching. I pride myself in the  
making of negatives. Will send you  
samples of my work if you desire. What  
size picture do you desire, 5x7. or 5x8?

I will make an effort to send you some  
good candidates for the positions at Metlakatla.

Yours,  
A. M. Sauble

Versailles, Ohio, Nov. 28, 1890.



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"SCOTT'S,"

"A, B, C, No. 4."

In reply to yours of 14<sup>th</sup>

San Francisco, Nov. 21 1890.

Dear Doctor Jackson

I was very glad to read your  
this morning even if it was after a 7 day trip from  
Washington for out here in this benighted locality we  
have as great affection for the U.S. as tho' we had prompt  
mail facilities as one may find east of the Alleghenies.

I also mail a letter that I have had since  
Sept 26 as it was to be kept till called for &  
I take my first communication from you to be a  
Call for the letter I am very glad that the letter  
that I sent reached you & thankful that you have  
been spared during the labors of this past trip & hope  
& pray that you may see the great benefit that will  
certainly come to the poor Eskimos which will just as  
surely be for our own Country. Any reports that  
may be gotten up will be very welcome & I shall  
be greatly obliged

Truly yours  
Chas H Wells

Be sure that I have that report of your trip!!



Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 1890

Rev. S. Jackson, D.D. Bei Frau Thellens.  
Washington, D.C. Leplaystrasse 8. II  
Leipzig.

My Dear Brother

Your nice long letter was received this morning and read with much interest. It was a great pleasure to see your hand writing once more.

You certainly have had many ~~new~~ experiences this summer & I should think some of them must have been very trying and I am very thankful you are safely through them and now I suppose you will have to settle down to hard office work.

We are all working away here at the German language, feeling utterly discouraged much of the time yet working away. There

seems to be a fascination about it that I cannot let it alone yet am confident that with all my effort I can never speak it or understand it.

We are very pleasantly situated here and will probably remain several months longer.

As the Evans money is in your hands you better take the interest due you from Clark-Bryant (\$100.) Mr Govern (\$52.) & Sheriff (\$32) which is one hundred & eighty four dollars (\$184.00) from the amount coming to me from that sale. As for the rest if you could invest it for me I would be very glad to have you do so. I do not know at all how much there is of it that is due me. By the way we have heard nothing from that Washington Syndicate. Was not that money to be paid in this fall?

If you can collect my share of the Washington Syndicate money and invest it with this Evans money I will be greatly obliged to you. I leave it to your judgment how best to invest it. If you know of no opportunity in Washington I am perfectly willing to have it loaned through Cochran and Walsh.

As to the Cemetery lot in Galesburg I suppose George Gale and Mrs. Love will think that we promised them the refusal of the lot if we ever sold it and so ought to be written to before it is put into the hands of an agent. I suppose it would be sufficient to write to George W. Gale, Galesburg. If they do not act in the matter then I would put it in the hands of Mr. Taylor.



I never received the three receipts which I sent to you at Washington to sign just before you left home last spring and which you wrote had been packed in your trunk with other papers. Have you them still? Please keep them safely for me, I do not think it would be best to have them sent to me here.

I am glad you are going to settle down in a home at least for a time and, as Mary says, that part "of the estate" is on the ground to take the responsibility.

Poor Cousin Louise has had a very trying fall. I do feel so sorry for her. We are very much interested in the American Chapel here and do not know <sup>but</sup> there is as much & urgent work to be done here ~~as in~~ in the United States. We are very much pleased with our pastor even if he is a Congregationalist.

Your loving sister Louise.

N.Y.  
Ogdenburg Nov 21<sup>st</sup>  
1890

Dear Dr. Jackson

I found your  
letter, on my return  
home, last week, -  
after an absence of  
six weeks - I hastened  
at once, to send \$100. to the Wampanoag  
Ex Com. Mrs M E Beayd  
Lee<sup>s</sup>, for the Schol-  
arship - I am glad  
the boy, is young, &  
bright. Cannot be  
not be so trained



that he may be a  
blessing, & help, to his  
own race. God bless  
the boy — I shall hope  
to hear about him, &  
the progress he makes.

Wishing you great  
success, in your labor  
of love, for the Master  
I am

Very sincerely

M. D. Beon

(Mrs J. S.)

1730 Mc Culloch St.  
Baltimore Md.  
Nov. 22. 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson  
Dear Brother -

Mrs Daggett of  
Boston wrote me a few days  
ago and expressed a desire that  
the public of Baltimore should have  
an opportunity to hear you speak  
upon Alaska. Next Monday week  
Dec 2. we have in the afternoon  
our quarterly Home Miss. meeting  
& I have been wondering how it  
would do to have you give us  
a short talk at that time - just  
enough to arouse enthusiasm for  
more - and then speak to a  
mixed audience at night. I  
do not know whether I could  
make arrangement for this

as I have had no time to make  
inquiries, but thought I would  
write to know if your engage-  
ments would admit such an  
arrangement. Of course we cannot  
afford to have it cost <sup>us</sup> anything  
but the collection which you  
might take at night. If you  
will let me know immediately  
whether you can fulfil this, then  
I will answer you as promptly  
as possible as to my part of  
the contract & you will  
greatly oblige.

Sincerely Yours L. W. P.  
(Mrs) M. S. Richardson

To  
Rev. Sheldon Jackson L. L.  
Washington D. C.

JOHN JAY, President.

JAMES M. KING, General Secretary.



OFFICE OF  
THE NATIONAL LEAGUE  
FOR THE  
PROTECTION OF AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS,  
ROOMS 43 AND 44 MORSE BUILDING,  
140 NASSAU ST., NEW YORK.

Nov. 22d 1890.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.  
Sitka, Alaska.  
Dear Sir,

Permit us to thank you for your kind thoughtfulness in send documents relating to Alaska, which are of much interest to us, and also for your words of encouragement.

We are going steadily on with the work, endeavoring to avoid any false moves, recognizing the magnitude of the work, and also its importance for the future welfare of the country.

The League held its first Annual Meeting last week, which was a gathering of men greatly interested and in earnest.

I enclose the General Secretary's Annual Report, although I may already have mailed it to you.

Very truly,

John McHellan  
Office Secy.



ack

WOMAN'S  
Home Missionary Society  
OF THE  
Methodist Episcopal Church.  
(ALASKAN BUREAU.)

Boston, Nov 22 1890

Mr Jackson.

Dear Bro.

I am so glad to hear from you & thank you for the card - for which I have accepted -  
Thanks.

I am not a little desirous of hearing if you can come to Boston - a stopping on the way - and about what time would be most convenient. I do not know if I could get ready now but in <sup>early</sup> Dec. would be best - as about every one continues meeting up it may get the best of the year. There is a possibility of all in soon so I leave time & cost. There are many things that need to be considered & a little conversation is better than much writing.

Love & am the boys with you now? or are they within reach of Boston without too much expense? Are they Eskimos or what?

Would the diff. sell some of those English - Eskimo - Prescriptions? I have asked the folks here - one for each member, my Bureau but I think it is a good thing to advantage. Respectfully, M. L. Rogers

ack

Trapelo.  
Waltham. Mass.  
Nov. 23/90

Dear Sir:

Your favor of 19th  
inst at hand. In reply  
would say that the neg-  
atives of which you  
desire prints are at  
present stored in  
Washington & I am  
afraid the Government  
would not be willing  
to stand the expense  
necessary in order that  
the photographs might

be placed at your disposal, as it would require ~~my~~ coming on in order to see ~~rather~~ them.

My private collection of prints are in book form, & I do not care, to have them leave my house ~~as~~ they are already beginning to show signs of wear. If you happen on this way I should

be very glad indeed to show  
them to you & to give you  
my assistance that lies in  
my power -

Very truly Yours,  
Geo. H. Daly.

Sheldon Jackson, Esq.,

U. S. Genl. Agt. of Education in Alaska.



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Phoenix, Arizona, Nov. 24th, 1890.

Hon. Sheldon Jackson  
Genl. Agt. of Education Alaska  
Sitka Alaska

Dear Sir:

At the coming session of our Legislature it is expected that there will be some radical changes made in our school law and, with a view of drafting a bill for submission to that body, incorporating some of the laws of the older states that would be applicable here, I would be greatly obliged if you would send me a copy of the school laws of your state, if in pamphlet form. Enclosed find postage for same.

An early answer will be highly appreciated.

Very respectfully,

Frank Baxter  
County School Superintendent

Maricopa County, Arizona.

ack

2 WEST FIFTY-SECOND STREET.

Dear Mr. [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]  
\$2.00 [unclear] the  
[unclear] year's salary  
& [unclear] [unclear]  
Will you let me  
know to whom  
I shall send it &  
when? I [unclear]  
to be a teacher in  
[unclear]? I [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] to [unclear]  
you [unclear] [unclear]

Called - My dear Mr  
I am very much  
pleased with the  
central point  
you brought them.  
My dear Sir  
I have not yet come  
from home. The  
Ladies, but I  
hope to be with  
you when you  
call again.  
Sincerely yours  
M. H. Spence  
L. 20

WOMAN'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

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MRS. C. E. COULTER,

GOR. SEC. OF FREEDMEN'S DEPT.,

Box 258, PITTSBURGH, PA.

F. LINCOLN, TREASURER,

Box L, Station D.

Dictated.

New York, Nov. 26, 1890.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,

Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 21st inst., and copy of the last Annual Report, issued by the Governor of Alaska, and the last bulletin issued by the Indian Office were received. Thank you very much for them. They contain just the information I was seeking. I am greatly obliged.

Yours cordially,

*(Miss) M. E. Rogers*





GEOLOGICAL & NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY.

Wm. H. D. F. S. L. D. F. H. S. L. Director

MUSEUM & OFFICE, SUSSEX ST. OTTAWA.

Nov. 27 1890.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

Bureau of Education,

Dear Sir,

Washington, D. C.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of  
Report of Ice & Ice Movements in Behring  
sea & Arctic Basin by Esq. E. Simpson.  
English - Eskimo & Eskimo - English Vocabulary.  
Rules & Regulations for conduct of Schools  
in the Dist. of Alaska.  
Notes of travels before the Com. on Education,  
and am instructed to convey to you the

thanks of the Director for the same.

Yours respectfully,

J. Thorburn, Esq.  
Librarian

Hydoh Mission  
Hawcan Alaska  
Nov. 28. 1890

To the Sec of U.S. Treasury

Sir:-

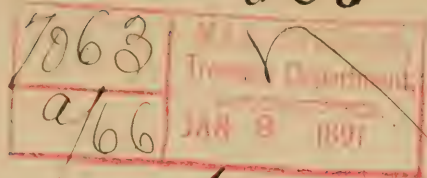
I beg to call your attention to a matter in the interest of the Hydoh Mission of Alaska. The saw mill at this mission is supplied by the natives with timber.

An order has been sent us from San Francisco for a small cargo of lumber. In view of the fact that the saw mill is run in the interests of the mission and giving employment to native people would it not be in the power of the Govt. and wise policy to permit the export. There is no better civilizer for the Savage than labour.

Very Respectfully  
J. Loomis Laid  
Missionary

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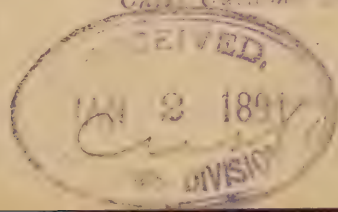
Hydah Mission  
Hawcan, Alaska  
Nov. 28. 1890.

J. J. Formis Gault  
Asks to export  
lumber - to  
San Francisco -  
Office Secretary of the Treasury,  
(CUSTOMS DIVISION.)

Jan 3. 1891

Respectfully referred to the  
Department of the  
Interior.

J. H. [Signature]  
Chief Customs Division



DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

SITKA, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson. D.D.  
Bureau of Education  
Washington. D.C.

Dear brother

I send you by registered mail to you a club - given to me by Skoulthi - the carving represents the Koon-soo-dah-han-a-wah - that's Hydah - plain English its the thing that makes the tides rise and fall. I have never seen it in life - But Skoulthi informs me it exists.

I wonder what the Smithsonian would pay for the original

Now to business will you give me an order for lumber - if you cannot give me an order at once tell me what sizes of lumber you will require and I will have them sawn and on hand so you can get them at once



I have run since you were here - and by the look of things we shall have an open winter - so much the better for me - I can earn something - do all you can for me with the Board - if I can get what is due me I can extend my work - Capt Sprague was down here and was much taken with it His mill has proved a failure it is for sale all he asks is \$3.000 for it -

Mr Gould has returned. I understand you have appointed J. W. Young Inspector of Schools here Doctor can I ask you as a friend to cancel it - He or any one of the Youngs have done you more injury than any of the rabble at Sitka I know what I am talking about Here is a quotation from the Youngs here before you appointed them - That it did not make any difference who you pulled down to as you got up - Now Young cannot be of any use to you either with the Whites or Indians. He is voted a fool - by all who know him - and I fully indorse the sentiment

You may think this a personal matter with  
me - I say yes - and it is with you  
I do not ask for his appointment - Rev J. L. Gould  
is worth more to you than 20 youngs  
and as for influence among the Indians  
I can run the tribe (no ego) - you and I  
have seen enough of youngs - it would be  
better to the mission work in Alaska if  
they had never sent a young -

When I can serve you here let me know and  
I will do it to my last dollar or strength

And believe your friend and

Well Wishes One

W. Donald McLeod



ack

Fort Wrangel, Alaska  
Nov. 29, 1890.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Dr. Jackson,

I suppose all letters in  
care of the "Bureau" will reach you. I do not  
think I asked where I should address you  
privately.

Mr Thomas and I have both written to the  
Commissioner of Education with regard to yourself,  
the Territorial Board, &c. I have not heard, but suppose  
that friends at Juneau and other points have done  
likewise. We feel quite secure in the hope that  
you will return to Alaska in your present position.  
I don't believe the Lord is ready, yet, for you to  
lay down any part of the Alaska work.



I have this winter the largest and most interesting school I have ever before had, entirely from the Indian town; and the attendance is the best. Most of my supplies came, after time, but I do need slate sponges. I only received ten, I think, and, in my requisition, I asked for several dozen. I cannot do without sponges. Judge will probably ask for some supplies. The slate pencils came, & I thank you for them.

I want to speak very privately to you on a little matter. I question a little what Mrs. Foster will write to the Commissioner concerning yourself, & especially, what she would write concerning Judge Sheakley. I don't want to be suspicious, but we have some very strange people to deal with here. An infidel tolerated doesn't whiten the soul. Is there any way for you to ascertain what is written?



Mr McKay has not yet returned.  
Mr Thomas, with a number of other  
Mangal citizens, is attending Court at  
Sitka.

We sincerely hope you have arrived  
safely at home, finding friends well. May  
we not hear from you soon, and we will be  
pleased to receive any commands or sug-  
gestions you may wish to give.

Yours, most earnestly,

Mrs. W. G. Thomas.